

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY COTONOU

TO AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY

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SUBJ: DRAFT TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S ADDRESS TO PRESIDENT  
OF DAHOMEY

PARIS FOR AMB ENGLE; USUN FOR WYGANT

REF STATE 236960 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY HAS REVIEWED TEXT OF ADDRESS AND HAS A FEW MINOR  
CHANGES TO SUGGEST. SINCE WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE REMARKS  
TYPED IN FINAL AND READY FOR SUBMISSION TO FORNMIN ON  
4 NOV (AFER A FINAL REVIEW BY YOU) WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU  
COULD CABLE YOUR VIEWS ON SUGGESTIONS. REASON FOR RUSH IS OUR  
DESIRE TOHAVE THE REMAKRS IN MFA HANDS IN TIME TO SCHEDULE  
PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS ON ONV 22. OTHERWISE, YOU WILL  
PROBABLY HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL 6 DEC.

2. SUGGESTED CHANGES:

A. EXCEPT FOR AMB ANDERSON, DROP NAMES OF PREVIOUS AMBASSADORS.  
REASON FOR SUGGESTION IS THAT THE OTHERS WERE ACCREDITED TO  
GOVERNMENTS WHICH MRGD CONTINUOUSLY DISAVOWS.

B. IN PARA ON US AID EFFORT, YOU MIGHT WISH TO ADD...

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WITH THE WORLD BANK AND THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, "BOTH

OF WHICH ALSO RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL FUNDING FROM THE US GOVERNMENT." ECONOFF SAYS THAT THERE IS AN ALMOST TOTAL LACK OF AWARENESS HERE THAT US IS A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR TO THESE INSTITUTIONS.

C. IN SAME PARAGRAPH, REF SHOULD BE TO "COTONOU BRIDGE AND DAM"

RATHER THAN JUST BRIDGE.

D. AT END OF PARAGRAPH ON SAHEL RELIEF, SUGGEST ADDING A SENTENCE: "WE LOOK FORWARD CONFIDENTLY TO CONTINUED DAHOMEAN COOPERATION IN THIS MUTUAL EFFORT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO OUR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS IN DISTRESS."  
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